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Dear Kerry;

Just a quick note to stay in touch, and communicate a few more bits that might be of interest. Saw JoAnn yesterday, and wanted to clear up a few points.

I see no problem with you posting a few of my written answers to questions from time to time. I'll let you know if there is every something I would rather keep private - not that I see too many moments like that. Another thing is that the mention of Herstmonceux as HQ of the old British Space Program was not to suggest that there was ever a massive launch or 'port' facility there - only that as the center of space operations it did become something of a free-for-all zone because so many alien craft don't need much more than a big lawn or parking lot to safely hover/load/& unload. The real launch/landing facility was on the island of Uist, in the Outer Hebrides - you can still see the ruins of the facility there.

Along those lines, did you see the list of possible spaceport locations announced on July 15th by the UK Space Agency, to be built by 2018? It would enable the take-off and landing of high-speed spaceplanes - orbital vehicles that land like regular aircraft, as well as more advanced alien craft. Stornoway Airport, off the coast of Scotland, and Newquay in Cornwall are also among the eight sites that will now be assessed.

David Parker, head of the UK Space Agency, revealed the list at the Farnborough Air Show that week, saying the aim is "to provide low-cost access to space and provide the person in the street with the chance to go to space". It should also make Virgin Galactic and XCor happy.